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Hi Melissa,

In my opinion, the Naloxone can be issued to trained law enforcement office=rs.

No prescription is needed.

My thought was that the NMDOH needed to distribute. Because DOH has the au=thority.

Thank you, Ben

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From: Heinz Bennett, Melissa, DOH
Sent: Wednesday, May 13, 2015 1:33 PM
To: Kesner, Ben., RLD
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Hello, Ben!

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We have a pretty high level conference call scheduled to take place tomorrow morning - and I am trying to line up all options to make sure we get to implementation - that is acceptable to our State Police partners and to you and the Board of Pharmacy - with that in mind, I have a question for you, to consider and offer any feedback: What are your thoughts on the possibility of pharmacy shipping the naloxone kits directly to the physician? And then the physician dispensing to the officers? Would the physician be required to issue formal prescriptions in that scenario?

Might you call me on cell to have discussion on this? I'm sure you are busy with a million other things - I am just scrambling to be sure that I can be prepared for call tomorrow. I thought I would also contact Steve Jenkuskys, with the NM Medical Board, and get his take on the physician dispensing part.

I so appreciate any feedback/guidance you may have for me on this!

Best,

Melissa H.

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Hi Melissa,

In my opinion, the National Opioid Abuse Response Act (NORA) can be issued to trained law enforcement officers.

No prescription is needed.

My thought was that the NMDOH needed to distribute. Because DOH has the authority.

Thank you, Ben

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